Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

Has the Department complied with interim requirements relating to the publication of discretionary grants?

Answer:

The term 'discretionary' grant no longer exists and since 2009 there have been no 'interim' reporting requirements. The Commonwealth Grant Guidelines require an agency to publish on its website information on individual grants no later than seven working days after the funding agreement for the grant takes effect. Please see http://www.dpmc.gov.au/accountability/grants/index.cfm